

Law Enforcement (FINAL)

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ITEM 1. Proposed Project

The Imperial County Sheriffs Office with the Imperial County Sheriff's Off Highway Vehicle Enforcement Safety Team (OHVEST) has become the lead agency for law enforcement in the vast Off Highway use areas of Imperial County. The Imperial County Sheriff's office will again form an Off highway Law Enforcement Coalition consisting of local law enforcement agencies that will enforce California laws and regulations related to Off Highway vehicles Recreation. On busy weekends and the seven major OHV holidays, Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Years, Presidents Day, Martin Luther king Day and Eastern we can experience over one (1) million OHV visitors a year. In the Imperial Sand Dunes alone, while experiencing a rapid growth toward the west desert areas of Superstition Mountain, Ocotillo Wells, Heber Dunes and Truckheven. This upcoming off Highway season OHVEST will be focusing their mission on enhancing visitors safety and Environmental safety eduction. Visitors safety will focus on OHV Equipment Violations, Reckless, negligent OHV Operation and DUI. Environmental Safety will focus on closures, habitat and critical environmental area designated protection, illegal dumping and OHV noise enforcement.

ITEM 2. Project Coverage

The Imperial County Sheriff's Office will patrol 159,072 acres of the Imperial Sand Dunes Recreation Area (ISDRA), algodones Sand Dunes or more commonly known as Glamis, Buttercop or Gordon's Well Dunes, 85,000 acres at Ocotillo Wells (SVRA), 343 acres at Heber Dunes, 41,000 acres in Plaster City and 13,000 acres at Superstition Mountain. For a total of 298,415 acres. Also we will be patrolling the public lands along the Colorado River on during the summer boating season.

ITEM 3. Describe the frequency of the patrols

There will be law enforcement personnel assigned to this project to provide coverage to ISDRA seven (7) day per week. Actual Shifts will vary dependent upon the time of the year and the amount of activity in the various desert areas. During the six major holiday weekends we schedule up to two(2) twelve (12) hour shifts per day and 1(one) graveyard shift. These shifts include a One (1) Chief Deputy, One (1) Lieutenant and 4 (four) additional Sergeants and approximately thirty (30) additional senior deputies. Also during the busy holiday weekends we utilize our coalition officers team and the assistance of San Diego County Sheriff's Department personnel for a total of twenty one (21) deputies officers.

ITEM 4. Deployment of Personnel

We propose to use our Off Highway grant funds to partially fund a Sergeant and two deputies positions assigned to the Grant during the OHV season. We will pay overtime for additional Sheriff's and Coalition personnel and San Diego County Sheriffs Department to assist with experienced personnel to help provide law enforcement on major holidays and on busy weekends.

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1. Identify areas with high priority law enforcement needs because of public safety, cultural resources, and sensitive environmental habitats, including wilderness areas and areas of critical environmental concerns:

The Imperial County Sheriff's Office is responsible for the protection of natural and cultural resources and for providing law enforcement to the vast desert areas of Imperial County which include 159,072 acres of the Imperial Sand Dunes Recreational Area (ISDRA), Algodones sand Dunes or more commonly known as Glamis Dunes. Buttercup and Gordons Well areas; 85,000 acres at Ocotillo Wells (SVRA). 343 acres at Heber Dunes; 41,000 acres in Plaster City and 13,000 acres at Superstition Mountains. On mayor holidays only the ISDRA area can experiece more than 200,000 visitors.

2. Describe how the proposed Project relates to OHV Recreation and will sustain OHV Recreation, motorized off-highway access to non-motorized recreation, or OHV Opportunities associated with the Project Area:

As part of the OHVEST law enforcement mission will be to protect our OHV sensitive and closure areas from intrusions. Dune Patrol experience has exposed OHV area targets that are trespassed by dune visitors on motorized OHV's traveling to Oldsmobile Hill, China Wall and Patton Valley, With the experienced leadership of the Imperial County Sheriff's Office OHVEST team in the dunes areas over several years conflicts have benn noticed between the enviromentalist, non motorized and motorized duners. It is part of our OHVEST mission to reduce this conflict by understanding and working with this diverse groups. By patrolling in and around the camping areas we ensure that the OHV users don't create and atmosphere where these conflicts can create problems.

3. Describe the Applicant's formal or informal cooperation with other law enforcement agencies:

The Imperial County Sheriff's Office in order to enforce California Motor Vehicle laws and regulations related to Off Highway Vehicle recreation, has establised a Law Enforcement Colition Memorandum of Understanding between Federal, State and Local Agencies. These agencies are Calexico PD, Westmorland PD, Imperial PD, Imperial County Fire Department, Brawley PD, Calipatria PD, Barue of Land Management, California Highway Patrol San Diego Sheriff's Department.

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4. Does the Applicant recover a portion of the law enforcement costs directly associated with privately sponsored OHV events where sponsors have obtained a local permit? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(Please select Yes or No)

Explain

Not Applicable

5. The Applicant agrees to implement a public education program that includes information on safety programs available in the area and how to report OHV violations? ☒ Yes ☐ No
(Please select Yes or No)

6. Describe the Applicant's OHV law enforcement training program including how the training program educates personnel to address OHV safety and natural and cultural resource protection:

The Imperial County Sheriff's Office is constantly training our personnel and our law enforcement coalition in laws and issues pertaining to Off road use and environmental violations so that our officers have the knowledge to assist. The OHVEST team is committed to continue with the Camp Smart campaign to give OHVEST Deputies the opportunity to meet the and educate them on the Off Highway vehicle laws, emergency services, emergency contact numbers, Law enforcement contact numbers, and area maps. With this unique designed educational pamphlet we are able to provide help to OHV visitors with valuable information to make their duning experience a safe and enjoyable one. This year again we will have our Deputies and Coalition Officers/Deputies extensive briefing training before each shift in regards Arizona laws and regulations so that Deputies and Coalitions Officers/Deputies could enforce as well as educate the public on the Arizona registrations issues.

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7. Is the proposed project in accordance with local or federal plans and the OHMVR Division Strategic Plan? (Please select Yes or No) ☒ Yes ☐ No
8. LOCAL AGENCIES ONLY - Describe the Applicant's policies and/or agreements regarding enforcement on federal land:
- the Imperial County Sheriff's Office has an Assistance Agreement with the Bureau of Land Management to assist them with Law Enforcement issues, enforcement stae and county laws, but remaining under the supervision, ahutority and responsibility of the Imperial County Sheriff. The sheriff has agreeded to increase staffind on major national holydays, and weekends between Oct 15 and April 15 to assure adequate law enforcement on Federal Land.
9. COUNTIES ONLY - Describe how the OHV in-lieu of tax funds are being used and whether the use of these fees complements the Applicant's project:
- The OHV in lieu funds have been use to purchase equipment for the Off Highway Vehicle Enforcment Team. The Imperial County Board of Supervisors has released OHV in liueu funds for various Bureau of Land Management Projects including completion of the new Buttercop BLM Station, a Desert Environmental Impact Study (District 38) and the funding of trash service for ISDRA desert.

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10. APPLICANTS WHO MANAGE OHV RECREATION FACILITIES – Describe how your organization is meeting its operation and maintenance needs:
- The Imperial County Sheriff's Office has used an innovate approach to provide lae enforcement in the Imperial County's vast OHV lands. Durind the past season we hace redesigned the Off Highway and Boating Enforcement programs to allow us to share personnel. We provide a Sheriff's Sergeant that directly supervises the OHV program and is paid from the OHV grant for the period of seven (7) months out of the year durinf theh OHV season and paid for the period of five (5) months out of the year from the Boating Subvention Fund during boating season (summer). We also have a deputy that is assigned to the OHV grant and is paid in the same manner as the Sheriff's Sergeant. We have a second Deputy that is paid from the Boating Subvention fund for the perios of seven (7) months out of the year and is paid from the OHV grant five (5) months of the year. This allow us to get the most lae enforcement coverage from both state funded programs. This approach has worked very well and we plan to continue this practice.
11. The Applicant agrees to enforce the registration of OHVs and the other provision of Division 16.5 commencing with Section 38000 of the vehicle code and to enforce other applicable laws regarding the operation of OHVs? (Please select Yes or No) ☒ Yes ☐ No

Project Cost Estimate for Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program - 2009/2010
Agency: Imperial County Sheriff's Office
Application: Law Enforcement (FINAL)

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Project Cost Estimate

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APPLICANT NAME :	Imperial County Sheriff's Office		
PROJECT TITLE :	Law Enforcement (FINAL)	PROJECT NUMBER (Division use only) :	G09-03-09-L01
PROJECT TYPE :	<input type="checkbox"/> Acquisition <input type="checkbox"/> Development <input type="checkbox"/> Education & Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Ground Operations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Planning <input type="checkbox"/> Restoration		
PROJECT DESCRIPTION :	The Imperial County Sheriffs Office with the Imperial County Sheriff's Off Highway Vehicle Enforcement Safety Team (OHVEST) has become the lead agency for law enforcement in the vast Off Highway use areas of Imperial County. The Imperial County Sheriff's office will again form an Off highway Law Enforcement Coalition consisting of local law enforcement agencies that will enforce California laws and regulations related to Off Highway vehicles Recreation. On busy weekends and the seven major OHV holidays, Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Years, Presidents Day, Martin Luther king Day and Eastern we can experience over one (1) million OHV visitors a year. In the Imperial Sand Dunes alone, while experiencing a rapid growth toward the west desert areas of Superstition Mountain, Ocotillo Wells, Heber Dunes and Truckheven. This upcoming off Highway season OHVEST will be focusing their mission on enhancing visitors safety and Environmental safety eduction. Visitors safety will focus on OHV Equipment Violations, Reckless, negligent OHV Operation and DUI. Environmental Safety will focus on closures, habitat and critical environmental area designated protection, illegal dumping and OHV noise enforcement.		

	Line Item	Qty	Rate	UOM	Grant Request	Match	Total
DIRECT EXPENSES							
Program Expenses							
1	Staff						
	Sergeant Notes : Sergeant salary plus benefits and overtime, a salary increase was obtaine last years bby the officers, during tha las three years the same rate was utilize to apply for the grant, not reflecting their correct salary.	7.000	12600.000	MOS	88,200.00	0.00	88,200.00
	Law Enforcement Officers Notes : Deputy salary plus benefits and overtime	7.000	10139.000	MOS	70,973.00	0.00	70,973.00
	Law Enforcement Officers Notes : Deputy plus benefits and overtime	5.000	10139.000	MOS	50,695.00	0.00	50,695.00

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	Other-1/3 Lieutenant plus benefits	1.000	74124.000	YR	0.00	74,124.00	74,124.00
	Total for Staff				209,868.00	74,124.00	283,992.00
2	Contracts						
	Other-Office Storage	12.000	2500.000	MOS	30,000.00	0.00	30,000.00
	Other-Utilities	12.000	500.000	MOS	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00
	Notes : Energy will be paid for office Buiding						
	Law Enforcement Assistance	1.000	238000.000	YR	227,000.00	11,000.00	238,000.00
	Notes : Coalition Overtime District Attorneys Office, Imperial PD, EL Centro PD, Imperial County Fire Department, Westmorland PD, Brawley PD, Calexico PD, Imperial County Sheriff's Office, these agencies will support our staff during busy holiday weekebds like Hallowen, Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Years,Martin Luther King, Presidents Day and Eastern. Agencies will send their sergeants and officers to perform 12 hour patrol shifts to worked as overtime in the sand dune areas. Assistance in need it during these holidays due to the number of visitors and the extense area of sand dunes where law enforcement needs to reach.						
	Other-Sheriff's Reserve	1.000	20000.000	YR	0.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
	Notes : Our Sherrif's reserve will be use to provide assistance during busy holiday weekends						
	Law Enforcement Assistance	1.000	50000.000	YR	25,000.00	25,000.00	50,000.00
	Total for Contracts				288,000.00	56,000.00	344,000.00
3	Materials / Supplies						
	Other-Educational Material	1.000	3000.000	YR	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
4	Equipment Use Expenses						
	Vehicle Operations and Maintenance	150000.000	0.500	MI	75,000.00	0.00	75,000.00

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	Other-Gas & Fuel	1.000	3000.000	YR	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
	Other-Vehicles	12.000	900.000	MOS	8,100.00	2,700.00	10,800.00
	Other-Quads 12	2.000	2400.000	EA	4,800.00	0.00	4,800.00
	Total for Equipment Use Expenses				90,900.00	2,700.00	93,600.00
5	Equipment Purchases						
	Other-Yamaha Rhino	1.000	11000.000	EA	11,000.00	0.00	11,000.00
6	Others						
	Training	1.000	2000.000	MISC	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
	Stationery Supplies	1.000	2000.000	MISC	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
	Other-Unifirm Allowance Notes : One sergeant and two deputies are assigned to this grant, every year during the month of January our officers receive an allowance of \$1000.00 to buy law enforcement uniforms use at by our agency when in duty.	3.000	1000.000	EA	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
	Total for Others				0.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
7	Indirect Costs						
	Indirect Costs-Administrative Cost	1.000	58000.000	EA	0.00	58,000.00	58,000.00
Total Program Expenses					599,768.00	200,824.00	800,592.00
TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES					599,768.00	200,824.00	800,592.00
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DIRECT EXPENSES					
Program Expenses					
1	Staff	209,868.00	74,124.00	283,992.00	Staff will include one Sergeant positions for the period of seven(7) months, one Deputy position for the periof of seven (7) month and one Deputy position for the perios of five (5) months. Amount includes Salaries, Benefits and overtime.
2	Contracts	288,000.00	56,000.00	344,000.00	Office Building space, utilities, coalition overtime and sheriffs reserve is paid
3	Materials / Supplies	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	Educational Material is provided to visitors with important informantion about California laws and safety regulations, emergency contact phone numbers and locations.
4	Equipment Use Expenses	90,900.00	2,700.00	93,600.00	Mileage rate is .50 cents per mile. fuel for, currently we have nine (9) vehicles assigned to cover the vast desert area.
5	Equipment Purchases	11,000.00	0.00	11,000.00	Purchase of one(1) Rhino is necessary to cover areas where the acces of vehicles is not posisible becasue of the land situation and terrain.
6	Others	0.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	Training for Deputies, office supplies and uniform allowance for two Deputies and One (1) Sergeant.
7	Indirect Costs	0.00	58,000.00	58,000.00	Administrative Cost Includes Overhead charges, Grant Management and Administration by Financial Manager and Administrative Analyst I
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Environmental Review Data Sheet (ERDS)

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ITEM 1 and ITEM 2

ITEM 1

- a. ITEM 1 - Has a CEQA Notice of Determination (NOD) been filed for the Project? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(Please select Yes or No)

ITEM 2

- b. Does the proposed Project include a request for funding for CEQA and/or NEPA document preparation prior to implementing the remaining Project Deliverables (i.e., is it a two-phased Project pursuant to Section 4970.06.1(b)) (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

ITEM 3 - Project under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378

- c. ITEM 3 - Are the proposed activities a "Project" under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378? ☐ Yes ☒ No
(Please select Yes or No)
- d. The Application is requesting funds solely for personnel and support to enforce OHV laws and ensure public safety. These activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. (Please select Yes or No) ☒ Yes ☐ No
- e. Other. Explain why proposed activities would not cause any physical impacts on the environment and are thus not a "Project" under CEQA. DO NOT complete ITEMS 4 – 10

ITEM 4 - Impact of this Project on Wetlands

ITEM 5 - Cumulative Impacts of this Project

ITEM 6 - Soil Impacts

ITEM 7 - Damage to Scenic Resources

ITEM 8 - Hazardous Materials

Is the proposed Project Area located on a site included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the California Government Code (hazardous materials)? (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

If YES, describe the location of the hazard relative to the Project site, the level of hazard and the measures to be taken to minimize or avoid the hazards.

ITEM 9 - Potential for Adverse Impacts to Historical or Cultural Resources

Would the proposed Project have potential for any substantial adverse impacts to historical or cultural resources? (Please select Yes or No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

Discuss the potential for the proposed Project to have any substantial adverse impacts to historical or cultural resources.

ITEM 10 - Indirect Significant Impacts

CEQA/NEPA Attachment